FY 2009 Capital Budget TPS Report 48062

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development** 

**Grants to Unincorporated Communities (AS 37.05.317)** 

**Grant Recipient: Naukati Bay** 

**Project Title:** 

# Naukati Bay - Road Completion in Naukati West

State Funding Requested: \$ 150,000 House District: 5 - C

One-Time Need

## **Brief Project Description:**

The funding would clear brush and finish an access road to a property division that is going to be developed for this growing community.

**Funding Plan:** 

Total Cost of Project: \$150,000

<u>Funding Secured</u> <u>Other Pending Requests</u> <u>Anticipated Future Need</u>

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There is no other funding needed

## **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The community of Naukati has changed its economy from timber dependent to shellfish farming. The community built and operates a shellfish nursery that oyster farmers need. The community is now preparing for an influx of new residents. However, at the present time, there is not an access road to a property division that is needed for residential housing. This community has made significant efforts to improve the local economy and is one of the few rural areas that is experiencing growth. Access to this subdivision would allow for comfortable population growth and secure the future of Naukati.

#### **Project Timeline:**

Funding would be secured in the summer of 2008 with construction beginning immediately.

## **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Naukati Bay

### **Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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Representative Bill Thomas:

In 2004 Naukati West asked D.N.R. if another land sale would be possible, the original sale in Naukati was a lottery in 1986, twenty years ago. Naukati needed a new land sale as no real-estate was available in Naukati and it was hindering the growth and economic development.

We have a new school in Naukati and that school needs new enrollment as well. D.N.R. agreed and surveyed fifty one lots and offered eighteen lots that had road or water access. All eighteen lots sold within two months. The remaining lots had no access but D.N.R. agreed to build a road at a cost of \$150.000.00 and add the road cost to each lot. The type of road would be the same as the other roads in the community, a fourteen foot wide road with turnouts built over punching of small trees and logs. D.O.T. confirmed with D. N. R. that this type of road was common in Southeast Alaska and the cost was in line. D.N.R. in Anchorage said they needed a higher standard of road costing \$500,000.00 or more and they would not build the road. After much negotiation they did agree to brushing and clearing the right of way but No rock.

The community of Naukati has changed its economy from timber dependent to promoting shellfish farming. The community built and operates a shellfish nursery producing oyster spat that the oyster farmers desperately needed. We now need new land for new residents who want to enter shellfish farming and would contribute to the growth of our economy as well as shellfish nursery business. The possible growth of our school enrollment will also be very nice.

In the last year freight, cost of fuel materials etc has escalated the cost of this project back to the original \$150.000.00 cost after clearing and brushing the right away.

Naukati West respectfully requests a Legislative grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 to finish the road in Naukati West addition number one that the D.N.R. would not complete.

Land Sale Road Chairman

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